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The Honorable P. Kevin Castel United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: SULLIVAN v. BARCLAYS PLC, ET AL., 1:13-cv-02811(PKC)

Dear Judge Castel:

The United States Department of Justice (the "Government") writes to clarify its position on issues related to Plaintiffs' recently filed consolidated amended complaint (the "Complaint") in the above-captioned matter, as discussed in Plaintiffs' letter dated August 10, 2015 (Dkt. 168) and this Court's order dated August 13, 2015 (Dkt. 172).

As previously represented to counsel both for Plaintiffs and Barclays, the Government does not object to the inclusion in the Complaint of information provided by Barclays to Plaintiffs. The Government takes no position on whether, or to what extent, the Complaint should be filed under seal. The Government also takes no position on the proposed protective order submitted by the parties to the Court on August 12, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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